

# BROOKINGS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, February 5, 2008

The Brookings County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 5, 2008, with the following members present: Dennis Falken, Emil Klavetter, Donald Larson, Mary Negstad, and Deanna Santema.

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Santema called the meeting to order.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Chairperson Santema declared the Consent Agenda approved with no objection from the board. The Consent Agenda consisted of the agenda for the February 5, 2008 Commission Meeting, and the minutes from the January 29, 2008 Commission Meeting.

Travel/Education: Krista Spence & Stacy Steffensen to attend Election Training in Watertown, SD on March 13, 2008; Rose Stee to attend a FEU meeting in Flandreau on February 11, 2008 and Program Planning in Madison, SD on February 29, 2008; Laurie Tangen to attend a FEU meeting in Flandreau on February 11, 2008, Children's Garden Workshop in Brandon, SD on February 23, 2008 and Judge a Science Fair in Estelline, SD on February 29, 2008.

## ROUTINE BUSINESS

Community Health Nurse, Trish Sterud presented the board with the Division of Health and Medical Services quarterly report for October, November, December 2007; discussed flu vaccine clinics, and programs and trainings.

Director of Equalization, Joyce Dragseth updated the board on Senate and House bills in legislation.

Extension Educator, Rose Stee presented the Brookings County 4-H Calendar of Events, discussed the 4-H Leaders meeting, and updated the board on the Agronomy Educator position.

Brookings County Sheriff, Martin Stanwick updated the board on the 24/7 and SCRAM programs, an accident on I-29, and the South Dakota Sheriff's Association dues.

Deputy Auditor, Krista Spence presented the board with the Auditor's Report.

Be it noted, Chairperson Santema signed claims for the January 2008 Payroll Additives: AFLAC, insurance \$2,595.79; Avesis Incorporated, insurance \$1,146.89; Office of Child Support Enforcement, child support \$1,296.00; Delta Dental, insurance \$3,005.92; Flex One, unreimbursed medical \$2,018.24; Fort Dearborn Life, life insurance \$648.10; Fort Dearborn Life, basic life

insurance \$387.40; Garnishment \$642.19; Local Teamsters, union dues \$838.50; SDRS, retirement \$31,132.85; SDRS Supplemental, retirement \$1,580.00; EFTPS, payroll taxes \$56,916.42; Wellmark Blue Cross, insurance \$55,537.03.

Election Supervisor, Stacy Steffensen met with board to discuss a policy for circulating petitions inside county buildings.

## **REGULAR BUSINESS**

Motion by Klavetter, seconded by Falken, to approve and authorize Chairperson Santema to sign Agreement #08-02: An Agreement with Election Services & Software, Inc. for election services for a period of three years. Roll Call Vote: Larson "Aye," Negstad "Aye," Falken "Aye," Klavetter "Aye," Santema "Aye." Motion Carried.

Motion by Falken, seconded by Larson to approve and authorize Chairperson Santema to sign Resolution #08-07: A Resolution authorizing the transfer of real property to United Parish of Elkton. Roll Call Vote: Negstad "Aye," Falken "Aye," Klavetter "Aye," Larson "Aye," Santema "Aye." Motion Carried.

### RESOLUTION NO. 08-07

#### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY TO THE UNITED PARISH OF ELKTON

WHEREAS, it appears that Brookings County owns the following real property:

The Right-of-Way of the former Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company across the West Half of the Southwest Quarter (W1/2 SW1/4) of Section Twenty-One (21), Township One Hundred Nine (109) North, Range Forty-Seven (47) West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Brookings County, South Dakota.

WHEREAS, such real property was acquired by Tax Deed dated December 2, 1991 filed February 26, 1992 and recorded in Book 118 of Deeds, page 35, in the office of the Brookings County Register of Deeds and a corrected Tax Deed dated February 29, 1996, filed March 6, 1996, and recorded in Book 125 of Deeds, page 328-329, in the office of the Brookings County Register of Deeds.

WHEREAS, it appears that the legal description of such property has always been confused and it further appears that such property was actually included in other property for which EDWARD LANGIN has paid taxes since 1982; and, therefore, that the taxes were never delinquent on such property and such Tax Deeds were taken in error.

WHEREAS, EDWARD LANGIN has now sold his interest in such property to the UNITED PARISH OF ELKTON, and the correct legal description of such property should be as follows:

Block Four (4) Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) Section Twenty-One (21) of Langin Railroad Subdivision in Sections Twenty (20) and Twenty-one (21), Township One Hundred Nine (109) North, Range Forty-seven (47) West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., in the City of Elkton, County of Brookings, State of South Dakota.

WHEREAS, it appears that BROOKINGS COUNTY has no right or proper claim to such property and that such property should be transferred to the UNITED PARISH OF ELKTON.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Brookings County Board of County Commissioners, that the following described real property be gratuitously conveyed and transferred to the UNITED PARISH OF ELKTON:

Block Four (4) Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) Section Twenty-One (21) of Langin Railroad Subdivision in Sections Twenty (20) and Twenty-one (21), Township One Hundred Nine (109) North, Range Forty-seven (47) West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., in the City of Elkton, County of Brookings, State of South Dakota.

And the Chairperson of the Board of County Commissioners is authorized to execute a Quit Claim Deed to the UNITED PARISH OF ELKTON to complete such transfer.

Adopted this 5th day of February, 2008.

Deanna Santema  
Chairperson, Brookings County  
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Janet Willmott  
Brookings County Auditor

Commission Assistant/Human Resource Director, Stephanie Vogel met with the board to discuss personnel matters, correspondence received, House and Senate Bills in legislation and upcoming county-wide employee training.

Motion by Larson, seconded by Negstad to allow refreshments to be served during mandatory county-wide employee training. Roll Call Vote: Falken "Aye," Klavetter "Aye," Larson "Aye," Negstad "Aye," Santema "Aye." Motion Carried.

#### **COMMISSIONER'S OPEN DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Falken reported on the joint Brookings City/Brookings County meeting.

Commissioner Klavetter reported on the joint Brookings City/Brookings County meeting.

Commissioner Negstad reported on the joint Brookings City/Brookings County meeting.

Commissioner Larson reported on the joint Brookings City/Brookings County meeting.

Commissioner Santema reported on the GIS presentation, and the joint Brookings City/Brookings County meeting.

Be it noted, the board discussed county space needs.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairperson Santema declared the meeting adjourned until 8:30am Tuesday, February 12, 2008.

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Krista Spence  
Deputy Auditor  
Brookings County Auditor's Office